ORDINANCE NO. 111 Concerning Vagrancy

Entitled an ordinance concerning vagrancy and repealing ordinance numbered 4 passed November 23rd 1882 and ordinance numbered 34 passed June 14th 1886.

Be it ordained by the Board of Trustees of the incorporated Town of Las Animas and State of Colorado.
Section 1

A vagrant within the meaning and provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed to by any person able to work and support himself of herself in any honest and respectable calling, trade or business, who lives, idly, and is without visible means of support himself or herself and who shall be found loitering or strolling about in the streets within the town; or who shall go about begging not having any lawful business; or who shall occupy for the purpose of lodging in any barn, shed or any other building without permission of the owner or person entitled to the possession thereof; or who shall be the keeper, proprietor, or exibitor of any gambling table or device or who for the purpose of gaming or gambling travels about from place to place or upon whom shall be found any instrument or things used for the commission of burglary, who shall fail to give a good account of the possession of the same; or who shall be found frequenting or remaining at any gambling place or places or at any place or places where intoxicating liquors are sold or houses of ill-fame or bad repute; or who shall be engaged in any fraudulent scheme, device or trick upon the streets of the town or by the aid whereby persons are induced to purchase package or articles, or thing in boxes or otherwise with a view of obtaining money or other property therewith connected in any manner, who if he has a licanse shall be no defense; or any prostitute or lewd women or any female inmate of any house or ill-fame; or who shall commit any act injurious to the public morals, to cheat or defraud any person of any money or property by means which are in themselves criminal. Section 2

Any person who shall be convicted of being a vagrant under any provisions of the foregoing section shall be fined in any sum not less than five nor more than fifty dollars or by imprisonment in the town jail not exceeding thirty days or both in the discretion of the Police Magistrate.

Section 3

All ordinances of parts of ordinances in conflict herewith, are hereby repealed.

Section 4

This ordinance shall take effect five days after its publication in the Bent County Democrat, the official paper of the town of Las Animas.

Passed at a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the incorporated town of Las Animas, a majority of the whole number of the members elected to said Board concurring by the following vote; Yeas; Geo. J. Kramer, Geo. E. McCauley, William B. Peart, Benj. Neher, W.H.Stone. Nays; none.

March 16th 1896 Attest H.J.Jacquart Clerk & Recorder Approved
W.H.Stone
Mayor Pro Tem